



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held December 2, 2008, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Knabe:

“According to the Department of Public Works, approximately 6 billion plastic carryout bags are consumed in Los Angeles County each year. This is equivalent to about 600 plastic bags per person per year. Single-use carryout bags, such as plastic bags, have significantly contributed to the impact of litter on the environment. We need to encourage residents to switch to reusable bags because of their environmental benefits. Using reusable bags decreases litter, conserves natural resources, and reduces the amount of waste disposed of in landfills. Reusable bags also help protect the marine environment from plastic bag litter.

“Heal the Bay will be sponsoring ‘A Day Without a Bag’ on the third Thursday of December, each year, to promote behavioral change. This is a great opportunity for the County to help raise environmental awareness in our day-to-day activities as well as prevent litter from disposable bags.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried (Supervisor Molina being absent), the Board took the following actions:

1. Adopted the attached resolution proclaiming the third Thursday of December, each year, as “A Day Without a Bag” throughout Los Angeles County; and
2. Urged shoppers to forgo single-use carryout bags in favor of reusable bags.

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Attachment

Copies distributed:

Each Supervisor
Chief Executive Officer
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Director of Public Works